

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
TO EXTEND THE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE RUSSIAN
ACADEMY OF SCIENCES ON COOPERATION IN SCIENCE
AND TECHNOLOGY SIGNED MARCH 24, 1999, AS EXTENDED

The Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Russian Academy of Sciences (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"),

Having regard to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Russian Academy of Sciences on Cooperation in Science and Technology signed March 24, 1999, as extended (hereinafter "the MOU"),

Noting the highly valuable and successful scientific cooperation between the two Parties under the MOU from its inception; and

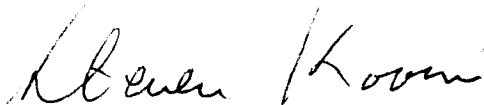
Desiring to continue joint projects within the framework of the MOU to strengthen the scientific and technological potential of the Parties;

Have agreed to extend the term of the MOU to remain in force for the duration of the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russian Federation on Science and Technology Cooperation signed December 16, 1993, as extended, unless terminated in accordance with Paragraph 3, Article VII of the MOU.

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature, with effect from March 24, 2009.

DONE at Washington, in duplicate, this 11th day of December, 2009, in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Steven Koon".

**FOR THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY
OF SCIENCES:**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be a Russian name, possibly "P. Lavrov".